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Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Harold D. Hamilton, 30, of Madison, was sentenced today by Chief U.S. District Judge Barbara B. Crabb to 65 months in prison, without the possibility of parole, for distributing crack cocaine. Hamilton pleaded guilty to this charge on March 19, 2007.

On November 9, 2006 and December 21, 2006, Hamilton sold an ounce of crack cocaine on each occasion during an undercover Drug Enforcement Administration operation in Madison.

The charge against Hamilton is the result of investigations by the Madison Police Department and the Drug Enforcement Administration. The prosecution of this case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Peter M. Jarosz.

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